



PARENT PARTICIPATION POLICY

The principle Garioch Amateur Swimming Club (GASC) acts on is "If everyone contributes a little, then no one has to do a lot [unless they want to!]"

As a parent / guardian of a swimmer who is a member of GASC, there are a certain number of duties for the well running of the club that are required to be fulfilled. These include:

1. SWIMMING TECHNICAL OFFICIAL (STO)

At meets, technical officials are required to be timekeepers, recorders, judges, starters and referees. There is training for these roles and parents will progress through training to becoming a technical official.

At North District competitions it is actually a North District regulation that the Club must supply officials based on the number of entries from that club, not the number of accepted swims. If these requirements are not met the club receives a fine. As a result, it is Club policy that parents must be willing to officiate at these competitions or find a replacement official. We will provide all training required for STO roles.

- When a swimmer joins the club, we require at least one parent to become a Timekeeper within 6 months.
- When a swimmer joins Squad 1 upwards, we require one parent to be on the path to obtaining their Judge 1 certificate. To achieve this, you will need to have been a Timekeeper at least 4 times and a Chief Timekeeper once.

2. GASC OWN MEETS

As a club we run up to three galas throughout the season: the Garioch 200, Garioch Mix Up and our own Club Championships. These are important fundraising events and the proceeds go towards our day to day running costs. It is expected that all parents of participating swimmers will assist in the running of these galas in some form.

It is compulsory for eligible swimmers to compete in the Garioch 200 and Garioch Mix Up, and compulsory for all club swimmers to compete in the Club Championships.

3. PARENT POOLSIDE ROTA

There will also be occasions for parents to provide poolside support for training sessions at various swimming pools GASC operate from. This will be communicated to the respective parents / guardians as appropriate, and will require a PVG to be carried out.

If you require further clarification on any of the above, please contact the club secretary on **GASCsec@gmail.com**.

PARENT PARTICIPATION POLICY Declaration

I _____ agree to carry out the above duties and I understand that failure to undertake these will result in my child / children being refused entry to the next gala.

Name: (print) _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____